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| 14   15   16   17   18   19   20   21   22   23   24   25 | BIKASH MOHAN MOHANTY, On Behalf of Himself and All Others Similarly Situated,  Plaintiff,  v.  BIGBAND NETWORKS, INC., AMIR BASSAN-EZKENAZI, RAN OZ, FREDERIG BALL, GAL ISRAELY, DEAN GILBERT, KEN GOLDMAN, LLOYD CARNEY, BRU SACHS, ROBERT SACHS, GEOFFREY YANG, MORGAN STANLEY & CO., INC., MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC., JEFFERIES & CO., INC., COWEN AND CO., INC., AND THINKEQUITY PARTNERS LLC  Defendants. | )<br>)<br>)<br>)<br>)<br>CK )<br>CE ) | MOTION FO<br>RELIEF TO | :07-CV-05101-SBA  R ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDER WHETHER ULD BE RELATED |  |
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#### TO: THE COURT AND ALL PARTIES OF RECORD

Pursuant to Local Rule 3-12, Defendants BigBand Networks, Inc. ("BigBand"), Amir Bassan-Eskenazi, Frederick A. Ball, Ran Oz, Lloyd Carney, Dean Gilbert, Kenneth A. Goldman, Gal Israely, Bruce I. Sachs, Robert J. Sachs, and Geoffrey Y. Yang ("BigBand Defendants") hereby request that the Court make a determination that the following cases are related:

- Mohanty v. Bassan-Eskenazi, et al., No. C-07-5101-SBA, filed on October 3, 2007; and
- Wiltjer v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al., No. C-08-22-MHP, removed to this Court pursuant to a Notice of Removal filed on January 2, 2008.

Both of these cases are securities class action lawsuits against BigBand Networks, Inc. and certain of its current and former officers and directors, and underwriters. Plaintiff James Wiltjer's Complaint alleges that Defendants violated Sections 11, 12(a)(2) and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. §§ 77k, 77l(a)(2), and 77o) by selling or assisting in the sale of securities pursuant to a false and misleading registration statement and prospectus in connection with BigBand Networks, Inc.'s initial public offering in March 2007. Similarly, the *Mohanty* matter asserts that Defendants violated Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. §§ 77k and 77o) by selling or assisting in the sale of securities pursuant to a false and misleading registration statement and prospectus in the same public offering. Plaintiff James Wiltjer names as defendants the same defendants that are named in the *Mohanty* matter. In short, the *Wiltjer* Complaint contains allegations that are substantially similar to those in *Mohanty*.

Consolidation and Scheduling filed November 21, 2007, Mohanty Docket No. 11.

In addition to the *Mohanty* class action, six other similar actions are also pending in this district and should also be deemed related: *Koesterer v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-5168-MMC, filed 10/09/07; *Winston v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-5327-JSW, filed 10/18/07; *Smith v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-5361-SI, filed 10/19/07; *Luzon v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-5637-WHA, filed 11/6/07; *Bernstein v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-05819-CRB, filed 11/15/07; and *Hammer v. BigBand Networks, Inc., et al.*, No. C 07-5825-SI, filed 11/16/07. These are all purported class actions alleging violations of either the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 or both, against BigBand Networks, Inc. and certain of its current and former officers and/or directors. Certain of the actions include underwriters as defendants. All the actions assert similar allegations of false or misleading statements in connection with BigBand's initial public offering and thereafter. All parties to these putative class actions have agreed that they should be deemed related to *Mohanty* and consolidated. *See* Stipulation and [Proposed] Order Regarding

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Civil Local Rule 3-12(a) provides that "[a]n action is related to another when: (1) The 1 2 actions concern the same parties, property, transaction or event; and (2) It appears likely that there will be an unduly burdensome duplication of labor and expense or conflicting results if the 3 cases are conducted before different Judges." This test is satisfied here. Both the Wiltjer 4 5 complaint and the Mohanty complaint allege that the same defendants violated the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with BigBand's initial public offering in March 2007. Both actions also 6 purport to be class actions brought on behalf of all those who purchased BigBand's stock in its 7 initial public offering. There would be "an unduly burdensome duplication of labor and 8 expense" if the Wiltier case were to proceed separately before a different court. 10 Accordingly, the BigBand Defendants request that the Wiltjer action be deemed related to the *Mohanty* action and assigned to the Honorable Saundra B. Armstrong. 11 12 WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI Dated: January 3, 2008 **Professional Corporation** 

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